PROMINENT SPEAKERS AT EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE THIS WEEK



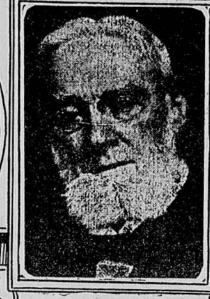


FORCED TO CLOSE DOORS OF CHURCH

4 o'clock—Meeting for girls at the City Auditorium, Miss Grace H. Dodge presiding. Chorus from the Richmond Young Women's Chris-tian Association. Hymn, "O Wor-ship the King." Hymn, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind." Scripture and prayer, Miss Ethel Cutler, sec-retary for the National Board. Solo, "O Jesus, Thou Art Standing." Miss Lucy A. Gwathmey. "As a decting for girls at Miss Lucy A. Gwathmey. "As a Girl Wills," Miss Coloonh Burner, of New York, secretary for the Na-tional Board. Hymn, "Make Me a Captive, Lord." Prayer.



DAVID F. HOUSTON. JULIAN S. CARR.









WALTER H. PAGE.

there crowded upon the stage fifty typical Virginia college types. One

duck skirts, with tennis rackets. There

was the bookish girl, with the note-book, and the devout girl, with the Bible, and the shouting girl, with the

megaphone. Others were sweaters and tramping boots, and still others party and dinner dresses. They sang and

GOVERNOR W. H. MANN.

BECAUSE OF RUSH Continued From Priest Peace Continued From Priest Peace Continued From Priest Peace County before the leaves the June 2016. The Boston W. H. MAN. But conferring a favor on those whom continued from Priest Peace of business and plenaure, but the fall colleges where it of the priest the work of the undergraduate to be the work of the priest the work of the undergraduate to be the work of the undergradu

Her success was splendld proof of the compelling power of a woman's enthusiasm. In Birmingham, the men who listened to her addresses, took the matter of collection out of her hands and raised \$32,000 instead of the \$25,000 that she asked for. In St. Paul, \$20,000 were raised, in Denver \$10,000, in Trenton \$12,000, and in Omaha \$8,000, nearly all of these sums being in excess of the amounts asked for.

In her address Mrs. Passmore emphasized the fact that women are apt to have too small a conception of the matter in hand, to think in one or two figures instead of five or six, and told them to always ask for \$100 rather than \$5. She urged the workers to bear in mind that they were not begging in seeking funds for their cause,

Three score colleges from the South and East and North and West sent the Richmond delegation went through picked delegations to aid in the interpretation. Their insignia and colors were suspended from the bandstand and ran diagonally across the breasts of 400 caped and gowned representatives. Two hundred more were present from the normal schools and the city organizations of Richmond, Norfolk, Cleveland, Baltimore and New York, converting the large central area of the Horse Show Building into a wilderness of girls ranging in age from youngsters of ten to young women who no longer have birthdays.

Over the whole drama presided the

Over the whole drama presided the stately figure of Miss Louise Holm-quist, who, as the Association Spirit, Spoke the lines that bound the sepa-rate scenes into a continuous brilliantly tinted film, burdened with the story of the association's achievements. Around her as the central figure revolved the tableaux. A personified Greek chorus, robed in the royal blue of the national association, she interpreted the unity which underlies the association's work in all its phases. Stated in its simplest, the pageant depicted successively the activities of the Young Women's Christian Associathe city, and in foreign lands. It preached the gospel of self-help and service in a spirit of broadest democracy as befits the major woman's or ganization in the melting-pot of the

Six Hundred in Line.

The pageant opened impressively with the entrance of the association

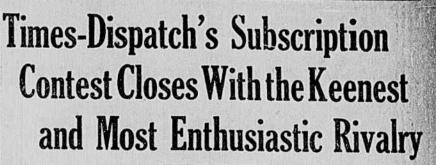
spirit robed in royal blue, and followed by four couriers in white, wearing insignia ribbons of the same blue. Be-hind them followed 400 students, those from the normal schools in white and the rest in caps and gowns, each wear-ing the insignia of her college. After these came twenty-one girls, repre-senting the county associations, in green liberty capes, carrying flowered

Behind the county division came the representatives of the city associations in white shirtwaists and duck skirts. and next, sixteen foreign girls in Japa-nese, South American, Chinese and Spanish national costume. The whole parade, numbering more than 600 tramped slowly around the auditorium to the strains of the Royal March from

Brilliant Tableaux,
With the grand march over there
followed in brilliant succession the followed in brilliant succession the tableaux, songs and scenes intrusted with the telling of the story. First came a picture of the association's work in college given by a delegation from Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Farmville State Normal, Sweet Briar College and Hollins College. It showed a fragrant of the vesper ser vice at the Blue Ridge Summer Con

ference.

To the strains of the Heidelberg music from "The Prince of Pilsen,"



Many Contestants Deposit Subscriptions Before the Closing Hour

Several Days Will Elapse Before Accounts Can Be Made Up and Winners Announced.

The Great \$20,000 Prize Subscription Contest of The Times-Dispatch closed last night at 10 o'clock amid a scene of enthusiasm that is seldom witnessed in the business office of a newspaper, which, by its very nature, to the following the selfont of the selfont is the frequent gathering place of large and emotional crowds. But this is the largest subscription contest that was ever put on by a newspaper in this section, both in value of the prizes and in the responsive application of the contestants, and it was fitting that the hour of closing should mark the outburst of pent-up feelings in proportion to the magnitude of the

Hundreds of contestants have been working conscientiously and energetically for several weeks, contending for prizes many of which represent modest fortunes. By the application of average intelligence and industry to one's duties, accompanied by ordinary thrift, one could not reasonably expect to acquire in a lifetime more than is represented by The Times-Dispatch's Grand Prizes.

COMPETING FOR GRAND PRIZE. Of course almost every one was competing for the Grand Prizes, so here has been the toil of an average lifetime crowded into a few weeks. Thus it was natural that unbounded enthusiasm should mark the closing hours of the great contest. And it has been a great contest—very much greater than the contestants or the publishers hoped for. It has been a contest

without parallel in prize subscription contests. To begin with, The Times-Dispatch opened the contest with a reputa-tion for fair dealing and with a large circle of friends and admirers, who. having favorably known the paper for many years in the past, were quite willing to invest in the paper's future by taking paid-in-advance sub-

group appeared in middles and white scriptions. The first consideration drew the best contestants in the entire field—the most intelligent, active, conscientious and persistent workers that the State had to offer. The second consideration furnished the workers a field that the contest of the c in which to expend their labors to the very best advantage. The result has been more gratifying to the contestants and more satisfying to the publishers than the beginning promised, even though the contest opened with no lack of enthusiasm.

KEEN FROM START TO FINISH.

Although the contest has been keen from start to finish, and the total published vote has risen remarkably high, the several preceding weeks do not compare with the closing day. Beginning with the opening of The Times-Dispatch Contest Department yesterday morning until the hour of closing at 10 o'clock last night, paid-in-advance subscriptions were literally depended in by the armful. No force of computation that could be bessed dumped in by the armful. No force of accountants that could be housed in the offices could possibly enter the subscriptions and issue votes thereon, and several days will elapse before this work can be discharged and the winners and their respective places announced.

Many contestants, of course, have been holding back their subscrip-tions in order that their respective places in the list might not be known to the others, and it was their efforts to get in before the closing hour that occasioned the tumult of enthusiasm. Men, women and children waited in line to deposit their subscriptions and money, and much rivalry for positions ensued.

VOLUME OF BUSINESS GREAT.

The large force of clerks and attendants were kept continually busy receiving subscriptions, and the volume was so great that it was utterly impossible to issue votes in lieu thereof. But no one expected the votes at once, and every one expressd a willingness to wait until the necessary accountings could be made.

In its third division the pageant presented glimpses of association work in the city, showing scenes in which the characters appeared as factory girls, clerks, domestics, girls of the leisure class, recently arrived immigrants and students in cap and gown. They enter aloof and refuse to mingle, but under the benign influence of the Association Spirit, they soon forget their differences and leave the stage in sisterhood and comradeship. Only Pippa, the little Italian peasant girl, charmingly impersonated by Miss Alice Jacobs, of Cleveland, careless and independent, walks off

to extend its thanks to the contestants, successful and unsuccessful alike; to offer its congratulations to the former and convey its earnest hope to the latter that they will be more successful next time. In expressing its

Over these obstacles and others incledent to the forced change of setting, the pageant rose triumphant in the beauty of its symbolism and the force of its message. The tableaux and scenes following each other in smooth succession, called out round after round of applause from the thousands that had braved the weather and occupied every available seat in the immense auditorium.

Show Gymnsium Drills.

Delegations from Norfolk, Richmond and Cleveland, in this division, presented drills illustrating the gymnasium work of the association. The Spirit of Play, a lively dancing sprite, impersonated by Miss Winifred Lawrence, of Cleveland, pirouetted up and down the inclosed area, dazzling the spectators with an exhibition of grace-ful movement. The Cleveland group in shimmering veils of green and blue executed a marvelous water dance, and the force of the latter that they will be more successful next time. In expressing its thanks to the public, The Times-Dispatch can only say that it feels that sense of gratitude which one holds toward an ally who has rendered conspicuous assistance in making a great undertaking an unexampled success.

To those who experience delay in receiving their papers, it is necessary to add that the Circulation Department has been found as unequal to the enormous volume of suddenly developed business as the Contest Department. A few days will be required to enter the subscriptions on the various delivery routes, which will account for probable delays in the receipt of The Times-Dispatch.

in green, joins them in their play and | -not even Habkkuk or Isaiah. adopts them as its own

ton Public Library, Nineteen girl, these words; were clothed to represent the major "And now,

sults of art, literature, music and commerce. Still another showed the

The pageant ended with a scene In the last city episode appear girls showing the association's work in engaged in the study of the Bible and other lands. The characters were girls the teaching of religion. The scene, which was given by a delegation from the Lynchburg association, showed a living reproduction of Sargent's the "Frieze of the Prophets," in the Bos-

"And now, in the name of the Father of us all and of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in

commerce. Still another showed the pose The figure of Jeremiah, draped in mournful black, could not be missed, with care, and pursuing their childish games in the crowded highway. The association, represented by six fairies down, but nobody knew the difference ing all one in Christ Jesus." Special All \$2.50 Bags on sale at \$1.69. 100 different

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